

CITY OF SCOTTSDALE HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING

SUMMARIZED MINUTES

5:00 p.m. Monday, October 8, 2012 Human Resources Pinnacle Training Room 7575 E. Main Street Scottsdale, Arizona

Present: Jeff Jameson, Chair

Linda Simmons, Vice Chair (arrived at 5:14 p.m.)

James Campbell, Commissioner

Bob Fox, Commissioner

Edward Lopez, Commissioner (arrived at 5:15 p.m.)

Joel Martin, Commissioner

Absent: Susan Galpin, Commissioner

Staff: Mark Wilson

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Jameson called the meeting to order at approximately 5:03 p.m. A roll call confirmed members present as noted above.

1 REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approved 4-0: Commissioner Martin moved to approve the minutes of the September 11, 2012 meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Campbell. Commissioners Lopez and Simmons were not yet present.

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2 CHAIRMAN REPORTS

Chair Jameson reported meeting with Scottsdale Republic's Chris Coppolo in preparation for next Monday's Civil Dialogue event. The Commission decided to present certificates of appreciation to the event speakers. Chair Jameson asked the Commission to review a draft of his letter to Mayor Lane and City Council regarding the Arizona Accord.

3 **COMMISSIONER ITEMS**

Commissioners Campbell and Martin discussed attending the recent East Valley NAACP Freedom Awards Banquet. Commissioner Campbell provided an update on preparations for the May 8 *Coming to America* event, part of the Cross Cultural Communication Series.

Commissioner Martin announced that she was named one of eight Phoenix Business Journal Diversity Champions. She represented Scottsdale at the Regional HRC meeting, which featured a presentation on diversity. The Sodexo Learning Center recently hosted a Diversity Leadership Alliance event. Her interviews for broadcast on Channel 11 have been recorded.

Commissioner Fox reviewed the book *Lies My Teacher Told Me* by James Loewen. Vice Chair Simmons expressed her thoughts on finishing her Commission term.

4 OPEN CALL TO THE PUBLIC (A.R.S. § 38-431.02)

There were no public comments.

5 STAFF LIAISON ITEMS

Mark Wilson shared an excerpt from an Arizona Republic piece on the October 15 Civil Dialogue event, *A Community Conversation on Civility*. Forty people have registered so far, and that number will likely increase. The technical rehearsal is planned for Thursday, October 11. The Commission discussed the invitation list.

Mr. Wilson noted that La Gran Fiesta starts on Saturday November 30 at the Scottsdale Center for the Performing Arts. Commissioners are welcome to represent the HRC at a booth during the event. He provided information on the Welcome to America project, a Scottsdale-based non-profit refugee outreach center.

6 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, A/V Tronics, Inc. DBA AVTranz.

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